

## **Spring Fling Big Recycling Success in Lafayette**

The Environmental Quality Division of Lafayette Consolidated Government held their Recycling Spring Fling on Saturday, April 9, 2005. The event brought in 293 vehicles to drop off some items that are hard to dispose of. "Everybody that came to the event had a smile on their face, and thanked us for providing the service," said Boyd Boswell, Environmental Quality Manager. "We were glad to provide the service to allow Lafayette Parish residents to properly dispose of the items we collected," Boswell said.

Everything collected at the event was recycled. The items that were collected consisted of six tons of computers and other electronics; 1,150 gallons of automotive fluids; 328 car and truck tires; 192 automotive batteries; 200 pounds of recyclable batteries; 90 boxes of books that went to Friends of the Lafayette Public Library; and 1,640 pounds of household recyclables.

All the items that were collected can be disposed of every day through drop-off locations that are well established. In fact, at the Spring Fling, the **first-ever Lafayette PRIDE Guide** was distributed to those who came to drop off their items. The guide tells how to dispose of all the items collected at the Spring Fling, and many more disposal, recycling, and hands-on environmental activities are explained in the guide. **Pick up your Lafayette PRIDE Guide at any city hall or public library in Lafayette Parish or call the Environmental Quality Division at 337/291-8529.**